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LOK SABHA

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NEW SCHEMES IN TENTH PLAN
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the new schemes proposed by the Department of posts during the Tenth Five Year Plan period;

(b) the amount allocated for the first two years for the above schemes;

(c) whether any action plan has been prepared to implement the above schemes effectively; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY(SH THIRUNAVUKKARASAR)

(a)&(b): The details of the new schemes proposed by the Department of Posts for the Tenth Plan period alongwith the funds allocated for the first two years are as given below:

(Rs. In crores)

Sl.No.	Plan Schemes	Financial allocation 2002-2003	2003-2004
1.	Modernisation of Circle Stamp Depot	0.26	0.01
2.	Computerisation of international mail processing	1.26	2.06
3.	National Data Centre	5.00	0.50
4.	Research and Development studies/surveys	1.00	0.07
5.	Establishment of Express Parcel Post Centres	0.50	0.01
6.	e-Post	0.50	2.30
7	e-Bill Post	0.50	3.00
8.	New products and services including development of financial products and services	5.00	3.60

(c)&(d): Implementation of the scheme will be on the basis of the year-wise phasing approved by the competent authority for the whole plan period, which will be monitored and reviewed regularly to ensure effective and timely implementation. Approvals for most of the schemes have been obtained, while others are in the process of being completed. Monitoring mechanisms have been set up, within the Department, and also in the Planning Commission, to oversee the timely implementation of the schemes.